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FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

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REMOVAL OF MOLECULAR ASSAY INTERFERENCES

the specification of which was filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on **August 16, 2001**, as United States non-provisional Application No. **09/932,122**, and bearing Attorney Docket No. SDB-001CP (now Attorney Docket No. **24219-001 CIP2**).

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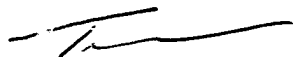
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